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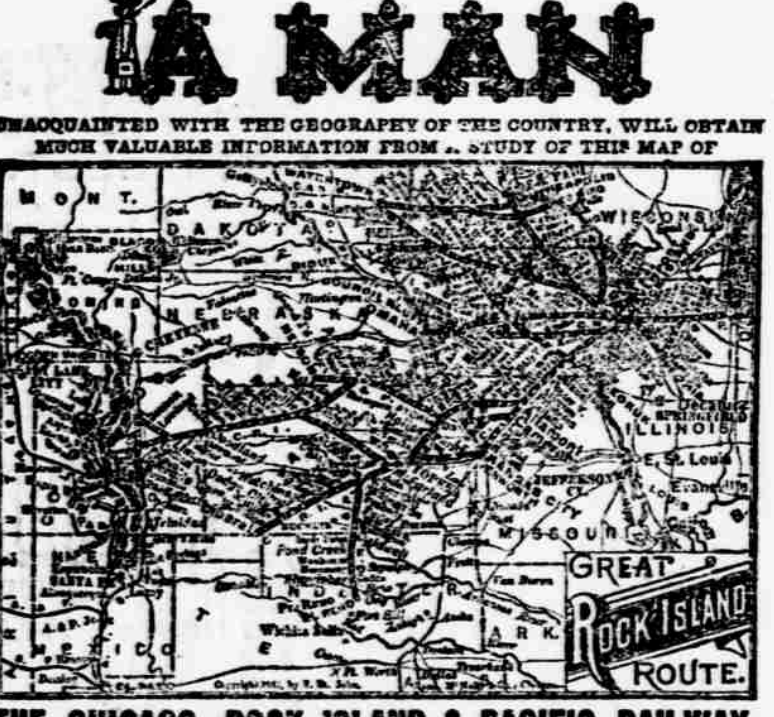
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The Historic Field of Gettysburg.

The citizens of Gettysburg were right to appreciate the remarkable character of the visit which took place on the 15th of October, for I believe that there is not one of the innumerable battlefields of old Europe which has been visited by such a number of the leaders of the victorious army, assembled on the sunny day to go together on the historical ground and combine their remembrances of a quarter of a century past, to enrich, if I can say so, their common fund of information. I understand that each of them has promised to give his personal impressions of that visit. Nothing could be more interesting for the student of history and the military critic. In company with such high authorities I cannot presume to add to their statements anything which would be of interest to the one or the other. Moreover, if the impressions of an European officer may be of some value to the readers of this, I shall yield the pen to my friend and companion, Colonel de Parvay, who has already recorded these impressions in a French military paper, where they have been duly appreciated. However, this I can say: that, having minutely described the field of battle, and mastered, I believe, all the operations which were conducted upon it, without having seen the ground, I was very anxious to know whether the personal inspection of this ground would correspond or not with the ideas I had formed by the study of the maps. That my expectation was fully realized speaks volumes in favor of the accuracy of these maps. I confess that only I had a natural process of the mind I had imagined that every inequality of the ground, except perhaps the bold profiles of the Round Tops and Culp's Hill, was more marked than I found it to be in reality. It was only when we were crammed on the platform of the railway of the theological seminary that I fully understood the strength and importance of the ridge to which this building gives its name. From there also it was easy to recognize the natural weakness of the position in which the Eleventh Corps had to support the thrust of Ewell's attacks. That the whole line occupied on the afternoon of the 1st of July by the two Federal Corps (Jame's was bound to crumble to pieces as soon as it should be strongly assailed from the north and northeast was so evident that any discussion upon the connection between these two corps seemed to be quite out of order; a happy result, for the narrow platform was no place to debate upon such a burning question.—The Count of Paris in North American Review for February.

A New Kansas Story.

John Speer, of Lawrence, tells the following:

In one of the far western counties of the State was seen, this fall, the advance of a procession eastward bound. It consisted of an ancient wagon, so worn and weary that the wheel in the rear almost lurched out back and side ways, and threatened, at times, to escape from the axle and lid down to die. The wagon crew was patched with homely discharged pants and overalls, and the corners stuffed with prairie feathers. The horses wobbled and yawned as badly as the wagon, and were mere skeletons with sorry looking legs, plentifully furnished with cockle burrs streaked over them. But the lowest depth of forlornness was not yet reached. Behind the wagon came a calf, so much more emaciated and enfeebled than the horse, that it was unable to keep up with their funeral pace, and hung back at every step, at the apparent risk of the dislocation or dragging off of its miserable neck. A bystander halted the procession—not a difficult thing to accomplish—and the following colloquy occurred:

"Leaving eh?"

"Yarp."

"Comin' back?"

"Norp."

"Sold out?"

"Traded an eighty fur that there calf."

"What did you do with the other eighty?"

"Wall, you see, stranger, and the hollow eyed emigrant crept a little nearer his interlocutor, and in a tone of deep confidence answered, "Wall, you see, he was kind of a ignorant fellow like, and I threw the other eighty into the dead, without his knowin' it."

As one would name them the important events of last year were the fall of Germany, the announcement of Dr. Koch of a consumption cure, the making by F. A. Reed of a new rule to prevent a minority from ruling in congress, the celebration of the first centennial of the U. S. Supreme court, the Samoan treaty by which the United States extended its dominion into a remote ocean, the deaths of Speaker Randall and Justice Miller, the making of a new tariff in the United States, the announcement by the Mormon church that revelation has ceased, the decision of the United States supreme court that federal and state courts had jurisdiction over the killing of Judge Terry by United States Deputy Marshal Neagle, the pan-American congress, the execution of Kemmler by electricity, the Stanley expedition, making a new silver coinage in the United States, the denational census, the Democratic successes in American congressional elections, the passing of Parnell. Yet it may be that some unnoted event will prove to be the future to have been the most important of the year.

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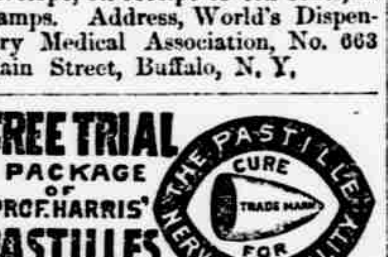
Does the sausage come out of his hole, or does the hole come out of his sausage? As to make early spring? Ma says it does. "What are you talking about?" said the papa to the little boy. "It is the ground hog that comes out of his hole, not the sausage." "Well, ain't sausage ground hog?"



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As Gleaned From the Report of the Postmaster General.

The gross revenue has been \$5,000,000 larger than ever before.

Nearly 5,000 new postoffices have been established.

Star route mileage increased 5,000,000 miles. Railroad mileage, 11,000,000 miles.

Number of pieces of mail matter sent to letter office has been decreased 2,000,000.

Postal telegraph, postal money orders and postal saving banks are recommended.

The profits of the foreign mail service during the year was \$2,000,000.

Number of postoffices, June 30, 1890, 62,401.

One cent postage is recommended.

Receipts from letter postage, \$38,000,000.

The civil service reform in postoffices is susceptible of improvement.

The total expenditures for the service during the year were \$95,615,083, and the revenue \$90,828,283, leaving a deficit of \$4,786,800. Compared with the preceding fiscal year there was an increase of \$1,170,080 in revenue and an increase of \$4,089,626 in expenditures.

Over \$200,000 has been saved on the contract for postal cards.

Four hundred thousand dollars have been saved on the contract for stamped envelopes.

Two hundred thousand dollars have been saved on mail matter.

At the same time the mail routes have been extended over 200,000 miles of railway, steamboat and stage lines.

The past year has been made very disagreeable for letter and green goods men.

Negotiations with the German authorities looking to the establishment of sea postoffices have been successful.

Some Railroad Facts.

A steel rail lasts, with average wear, about eighteen years.

The cost of railroads in the United States has been \$2,000,000,000.

There are sixty miles of snow-sheds on the Central Pacific railroad.

The average daily earnings of an American locomotive is about \$100.

The cost of a palace sleeping-car is \$15,000, or if "vestibuled," \$17,000.

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There are 28,447 railroad bridges in the United States, spanning 3,213 miles.

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Laughter.

The world is crowded with duty, with clouds and with storms. Through every life, over every pathway and across every heartstone the lightnings flash and amidst even the sweetest sunshine the thunders peal. Tears are so common that a portion of the world appears to think that the great God, in his infinite wisdom, has made the world to be mournful, if it would be natural. The sad men and women who are like the old lady who said that she never felt so happy as she did when she felt miserable. Her idea was that it was a duty to be miserable, a duty to remain in the midst of the storms and the clouds. There are hours of solemnity—hours when laughter is impossible and would be sacrifice if indulged in.

But to be joyous is a duty that every human being owes to himself and every human being who is possible. Man is the only animal that laughs. God meant that he should seek opportunities to laugh. He meant that while man should train himself to bear with fortitude the storms and sorrows of life, he should also seek the places, where the sunbeams laugh and play; where hearts thrill lightly and where cheeks are lighted up with smiles. Possibly the men and women who point us to the solemn side of life, and bid us contemplate it, confer a benefit. But so does whose brush lightens the deep shadows that mar their pictures; so does he who causes us to laugh and be merry. When the announcement is made that "Mrs. Partington" is dead, the man or woman who properly appreciates what life should be, expresses sorrow that one who has made the world laugh, who has lighted up some of the dark moments with sunshine, is gone. Such people have a mission that is much higher than some may think, and are entitled to the gratitude of mankind.

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